

## Unit 1 :

## Chapter 1. INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER GRAPHICS

Applications of Computer Graphics (representative of computer graphics)

1) User Interface : Computer graphics is used to interact with various devices through graphical user interface, which led to easy interaction.

2) Plotting : Plotting of graphs and charts.

This is an area of computer graphics which uses 2D and 3D graphs to represent data in engineering science & technical fields.

3) Office Automation & electronic publishing.

This field uses computer graphics for creation and ~~dissemination~~ dissemination of information which makes use of inhouse printing & publication of various documentations.

4) Computer Aided drafting and design.

In CAD, interactive graphics is used for designing various components & systems corresponding to electrical, mechanical, electronics, civil, & other fields.

5) Simulation & Animation.

Computer graphics is used for simulation of various Real time models in science & technology & is also used for different character animations in entertainment.

c). Art And Commerce .

This field uses computer graphics for creating various realistic pictures that promotes the Trade and Commerce .

d). Process Control .

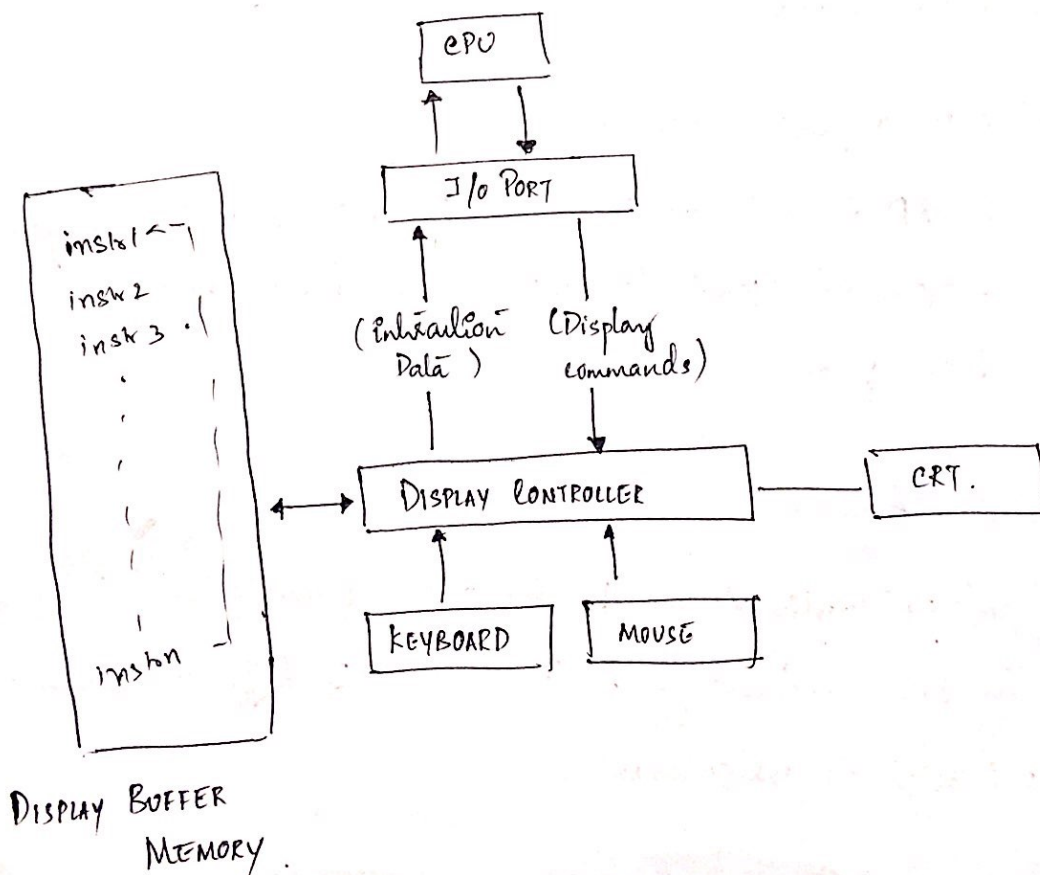
In this field , computer graphics is used to semi automatically control the various processes that takes place in a distance .

e). Cartography

This is the area which uses computer graphics for representation of various geographic <sup>maps</sup>, weather maps & so on .

## VECTOR DISPLAY SYSTEM .

Architecture of vector display system .



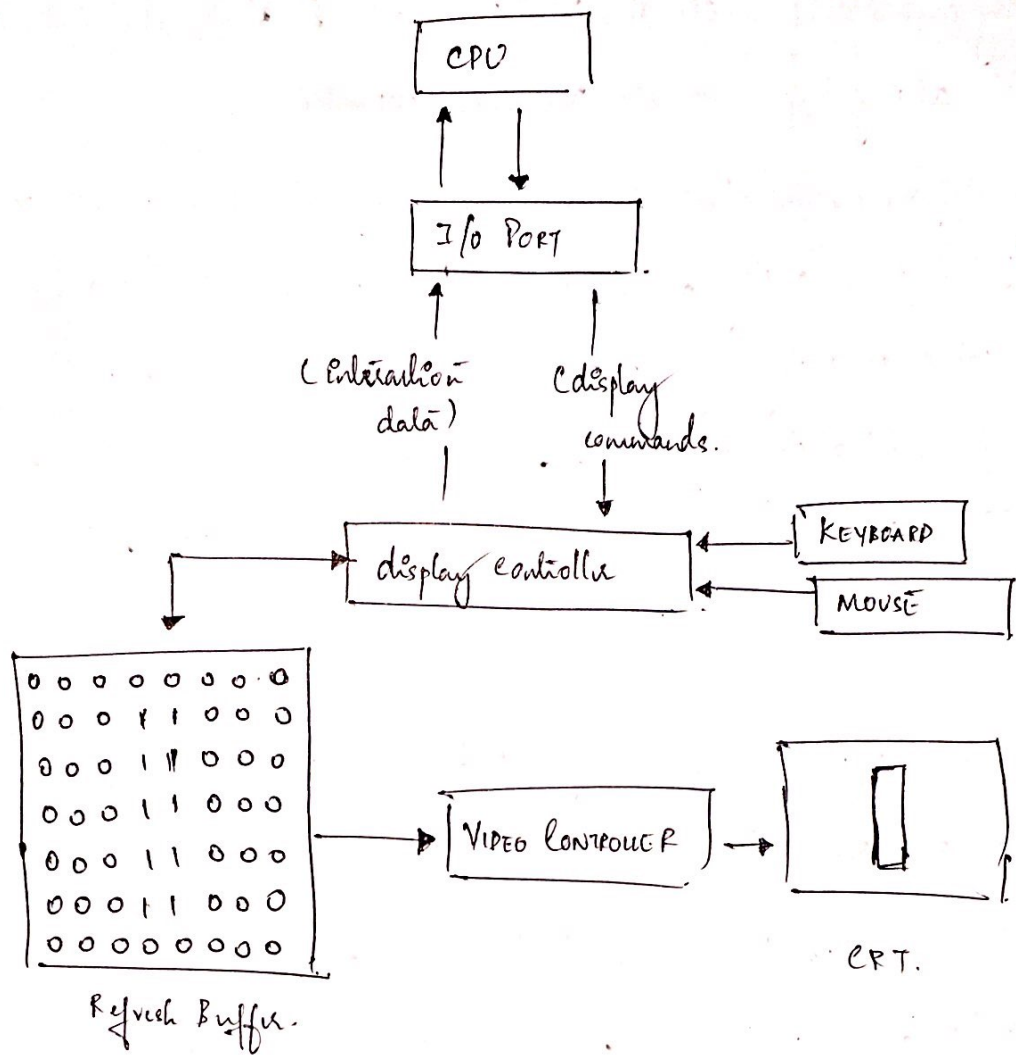
- As shown in figure, Display controller is connected to I/O components through CPU. This display controller takes the responsibility of receiving the required display commands from CPU through I/O Port & stores the received instructions in display buffer memory for later execution.
- The display buffer memory stores the ~~require~~ list of instructions that are required for plotting display on the screen. This set of instructions are collectively called as display Programs. Display controller then interprets each instruction from the display program & ~~executes~~ sends the corresponding signals that controls the deflection head of the CRT monitor to display the required image on the monitor.
- In Vector display system, Beam is deflected from end point to end point. Hence it is called as Random Scan.
- The instructions in display buffer needs to be executed repeatedly to avoid the flickering of screen since, electronic beam deflected on the Phosphor coating gets decayed after a small span of time. Hence, this Buffer is also called as REFRESH BUFFER.

### DISADVANTAGE.

- ① expensive
- ② as the instruction size increases, more the chances of screen flickering.
- ③ can plot only image like line.



# ARCHITECTURE OF RASTER DISPLAY SYSTEM.



- This display system was introduced to overcome disadvantages of random scan technique. As shown in above figure, the display image is stored in the form of 1's and 0's in the Refresh buffer.
- Display controller basically receives the commands from the User that is required for display from the User & converts the commands into stream of 0's & 1's & stores in Refresh buffer.
- VIDEO CONTROLLER then interprets each bits of 0's & 1's from the refresh buffer & produces the image on screen by method of scanning one line at a time from top to bottom & then

go back to the top.

## → DIFFERENCES OF RASTER AND VECTOR.

### VECTOR SCAN.

- ① Beam is moved b/w END POINTS.
- ② displays flickers when instruction becomes too large.
- ③ no scan-conversion
- ④ no ~~scan~~ scan conversion hardware
- ⑤ produces smooth display
- ⑥ cost is more
- ⑦ can draw only lines & characters

### RASTER SCAN.

- ① Beam is moved all over the screen. one scan line at a time from top to bottom & then back to top in fixed direction.
- display is independent of the instructions.
- scan conversion is required.
- scan conversion hardware is required.
- produces jagged display.
- less cost.
- can display anything.